

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The methods and apparatus described herein provide a system for adjusting book cover printing based on the caliper of the book. The caliper of a particular printed book body is measured. Subsequently, a cover is printed for that particular printed book. Printing on the cover is adjusted to compensate for slight variations in the thickness of the book body. For example, a book title which is to be centered on the spine may be transposed if a non-nominal spine size is used to accommodate a non-nominal book body (i.e., a book body which is larger or smaller than the average size for this book).

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